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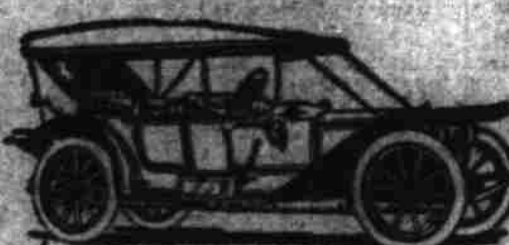
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Busy Week Spent By Hawaii
Party in Visiting Wonderful
and Historic Places

By RILEY M. ALLEN.
[Staff Correspondence]

PART II.
KYOTO, Japan, May 2. — We
left Nagoya shortly after 8 o'clock
on Tuesday morning and an all-
day ride, with a three-hour stop
at the ancient and historic town of
Nara, brought us to Kyoto shortly
after 4 o'clock on the same afternoon.
Nara is famous in Japan for its old
Buddhist temples and to all visitors
because of the multitudes of tame
deer that wander unconcernedly
through the town and surrounding
fields. The presence of the deer is
said to be due to the Buddhist es-
teem of those who have attained far-
enough in the peculiar doctrines of the
sect to be so gentle and kind that
the deer will not flee from them. At
Nara the deer are as tame as cows
and considerably more familiar. They
are used to being fed a kind of oat
cake sold everywhere in the town by
women who line the streets with their
booths or baskets. The deer insist on
being fed and after the visitor has
purchased the cakes he has no diffi-
culty in collecting around him a herd
of any desired dimensions.

It was with real regret that the Ha-
waii party hurried through this quaint,
beautiful town. Though it is the me-
cca of thousands of tourists and more
thousands of pilgrims, crowded most
of the year, it has managed to pre-
serve somehow a serene and restful
atmosphere, the natural surroundings
are charming and often noble, and the
visitor inclined to dream and con-
templation may indulge to his or her
heart's content in some of the many
beautiful shady walks around the re-
vered relics of a wonderful religious
past.

But time pressed and our train was
due. We hurried through a splendid
series of temples, cast a hasty
glance at the largest image of Buddha
in all Japan (56 feet high and
housed in a tremendous temple) and
raced to the station.

Kyoto was reached before dusk and
we had our first glimpse of the for-
mer capital of the empire. The glimpse,
however, was but fleeting and
mostly of back streets, as we
drove to our hotel, the Kyoto, by the
shortest possible route. In Japan the
short cuts lead through a multitude
of alleys and queer, narrow streets
that are always lined with little shops
and staring people. Even in tourist-
haunted Kyoto the foreigner seems
still a novelty.

The itinerary called for four full
days in Kyoto, and was changed two
or three times to include desirable
features, finally remaining about as
in the beginning. By this time the
Hawaii party has about had its fill
of temples, commercial museums and
"pikha rides and is looking for divers-
ions still more novel. Of course the
feminine members of the party are
always able to spend time in the
cities, whose thousands of shops are
a constant temptation and delight.
Kyoto is known around the globe for
its silks and silk shops, its damascene
ware, its lacquer and its embroideries.
Several of the women from Hawaii
went on silk hunts for mandarin
coats, kimonos or other products of
the silk looms of the district, and the
men looked longingly at the damas-
cened cigarette cases, purses and
card cases.

Wednesday was a day of sight-
seeing and shopping. We visited sev-
eral of the noted temples, hoary with
age and filled with sacred treasures.
Among the most interesting seen
were the Kitano Tenjin in the north-
west suburb, a Shinto structure the
original part of which is said to date
from A. D. 663. The picturesque and
prettily situated Golden Pavilion is
not far from here, a Buddhist fane
some 235 years old. The pavilion is
small, three stories in height, the cel-
ling of the third story room still
showing some evidences of having
been once covered with a kalsomine
of gold. On the return trip to the
hotel for dinner a brief stop was made
at the lovely and remarkable gar-
dens of Mr. J. Koshino, a Kobe mer-
chant whose Kyoto ancestral and other
flowering beauties are widely known
and appreciated by connoisseurs as
well as laymen.

The afternoon contained visits to
the Komai damascene shops, silk
shops and lacquer factories and dis-
play rooms, as well as an interesting
pottery, that of S. Kinkotan. Here I
saw a large autograph of William
Jennings Bryan, made when the Ne-
braska statesman was on a tour of
the world some years ago.

On Thursday the party was some-
what divided. Two of us, G. B. Isen-
berg and myself, were fortunate
enough to have an opportunity to
make a two-days' trip to the monas-
tery village of Koyasan, high up in
the mountains and far from the ordi-
nary paths that tourists travel. Of
this trip I shall have more to say
hereafter. We journeyed with M.
Dreyfus-Barney, a French barrister
whom we had met on the steamer
coming to Japan, and Baron and Bar-
oness Francon of Paris. The visit
to the ancient and sequestered Bud-
dhist monastery, with its splendid
and noted tombs, is the most inter-
esting and vivid incident of our trav-
els to date and will be the subject of
a special article to be published later
in the Star-Bulletin. We arrived
back at Kyoto on Friday night.

Voyage Down Rapids.
In the meantime the rest of the party
had spent two busy days. On
Thursday the fascinating boat-trip
down the Hozu-gawa rapids was made,
attended by some excitement and
danger that was to invert the usual

saying, more real than apparent, as
only the skill and strength of the
boatmen guide the small craft safely
through some very nasty stretches of
rock-ripped water. The trip to, and
down the rapids can easily be accom-
plished from Kyoto in a day.

On Friday another attractive trip
was taken, the party going to Lake
Biwa, a small but pretty sheet of wa-
ter close to the city. The outward
trip was made by electric car, but
the visitors returned to the city by
the famous underground canal, or
rather, series of underground canals,
a journey not without weird and novel
features. The scenery at the lake, the
temples and other spots of interest,
were duly inspected.

Today, Saturday, is being spent in
a leisurely manner that appeals to
those of the party (most of us) who
have been "doing Japan" in a rather
strenuous and often breathless man-
ner.

Kyoto presented a rather dismal ap-
pearance this morning, the drizzling rain
and lowering clouds being in marked
contrast to the bright skies and warm
sun that have attended the trip for
the past 20 days. Luckily there was
no sight-seeing this morning and only
the incurably energetic went forth to
see more of the city.

This afternoon the Hawaiians made
a short trip to the noted Nishi Hong-
wanji, a great temple believed by
many to be the finest example extant
of Buddhist art in Japan. The huge
structure is a treasure-house of art,
usually of a religious nature, its walls,
ceilings, pillars, doors and lofty roofs
being richly embellished by some of
Japan's best-known artists. It will
be of especial interest to the people
of Hawaii to know that the Hong-
wanji mission work in the islands is
carried on under the auspices of the
sect whose main temple was visited
today. We were cordially received by
the priests, one of high rank, Takat-
su Fujieda, presiding at an informal
tea in one of the strikingly decorated
rooms. Prof. Scott and Rev. W. D.
Westervelt and C. C. Kennedy spoke
for the Hawaii party, favorable com-
ment being made on the work of the
Hongwanji Buddhists in Hawaii.

Home Next Saturday.

Today's trip to the temple ended
the sight-seeing around Kyoto. At
various times during the week mem-
bers of the party have seen the "Mi-
yako Odori," or "Capital Dance," a
fascinating and bewilderingly beau-
tiful spectacle performed during the
month of April at the Kamurejo the-
ater. It is preceded by the drinking
of "ceremonial tea," a brew which is
unpalatable to occidentals, though
the dignity and simplicity of the tea-
drinking ceremony are attractive. The
dance itself is divided into several sec-
tions, each a series of bright-colored
and charming pictures, 33 richly-
dressed maidens taking part, not in-
cluding the orchestra of older girls.
The titles of some of the sections—
"Cedar Trees Near a Shrine," "Yel-
low Roses at Ide," "Flowers in the
Imperial Garden"—only faintly sug-
gest the symbolism and poetry of the
dances and the dainty charm of the
dancers. The performance is gener-
ally known as the Kyoto cherry-dance
and has been given every year since
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ment was founded. For sheer beauty
and an exquisite combination of art
and nature, this cherry-dance sur-
passes anything else in the way of
entertainment the Hawaii party has
seen in Japan. Kyoto justly deserves
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leave Kyoto early tomorrow morning,
arriving at Osaka an hour later. The
city officials will receive us and a
luncheon will be given by the Sumi-
tomo bank. From there on our itine-
rary is briefly as follows:

May 4: Go from Osaka to Noda
and then on to Kobe.
May 5—Sightseeing at Kobe. In
evening take steamer for trip through
Inland sea.
May 6—Arrive at Miyajima in after-
noon.
May 7 and May 8—Visit to Hiro-
shima and environs.
May 9—On way to Yokohama, ar-
riving at 1 p. m. May 10.
May 11, 12 and 13—Spent at Yoko-
hama or Tokyo. Steamer Shinyo Ma-
ru sails for Honolulu May 13 at 3 p.
m.
May 22—Arrive Honolulu.

TONIGHT'S BAND PROGRAM.

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lic concert at Thomas' Square this eve-
ning, commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

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ranged the following program:

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Waltz—Wedding of the Winds... Hall
Finale—Jamaica Trop. (new)... Frey
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**BULGARIAN QUEEN
PUTS OFF HER VISIT**

NEW YORK. — News that Queen
Elenora of Bulgaria had put off her
visit to America, contemplated this
month, has been received by her spe-
cial representative, William Caspar.
The announcement, which came from
the palace in Sofia, read:
"In view of events in America,
which Queen Elenora follows with es-
pecial interest, her majesty's visit to
the United States has been postponed
until the circumstances are more fa-
vorable."

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[By Latest Mail]
SAN FRANCISCO.—Assistant Dis-
trict Attorney Louis Ferrari began a
crusade against Chinese eggs, which
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sold in this city. One warrant has
been issued. It was against the Ja-
cobson & Reimers Co. for violating
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Sullivan on complaint of T. F. Lydon,
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